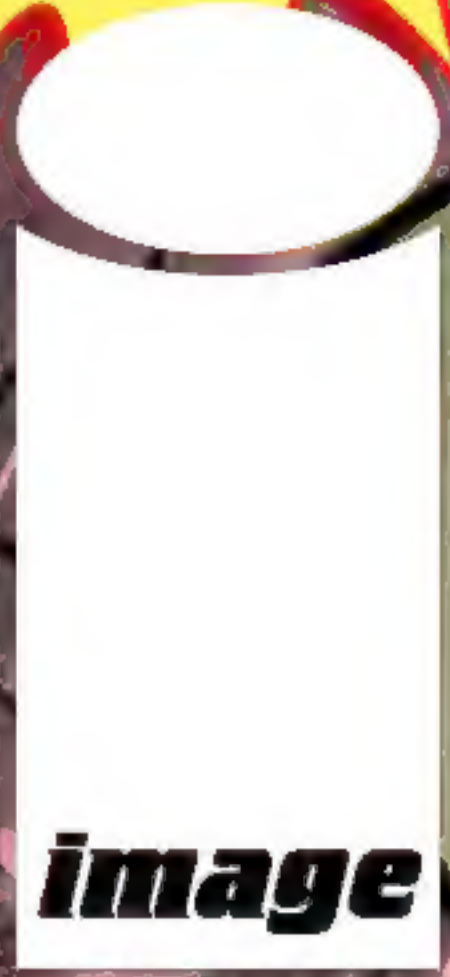


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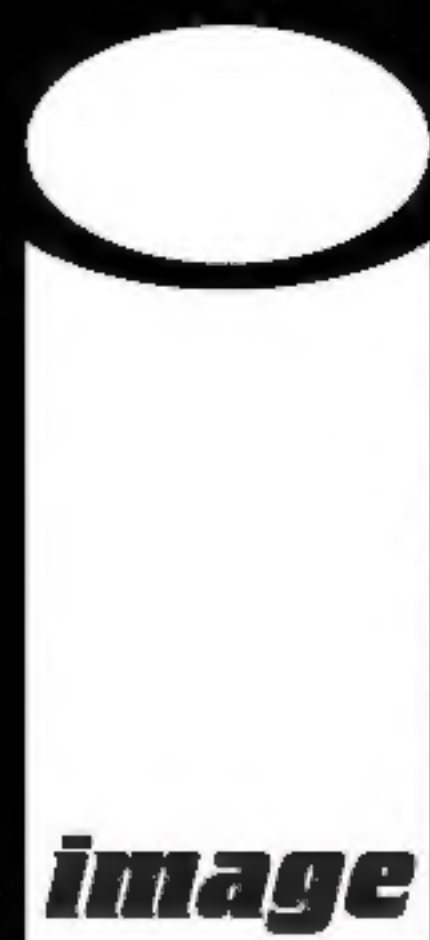
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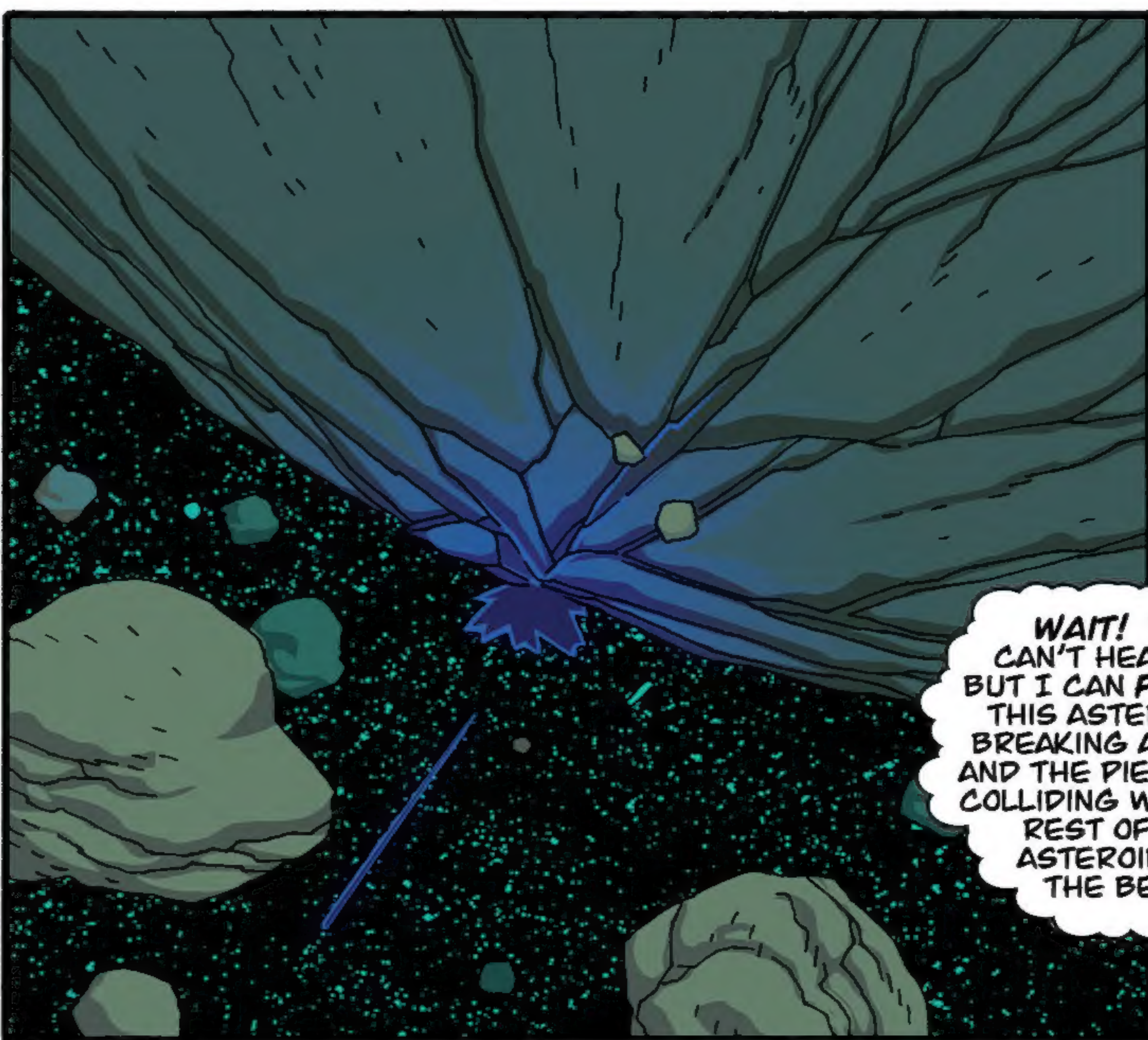
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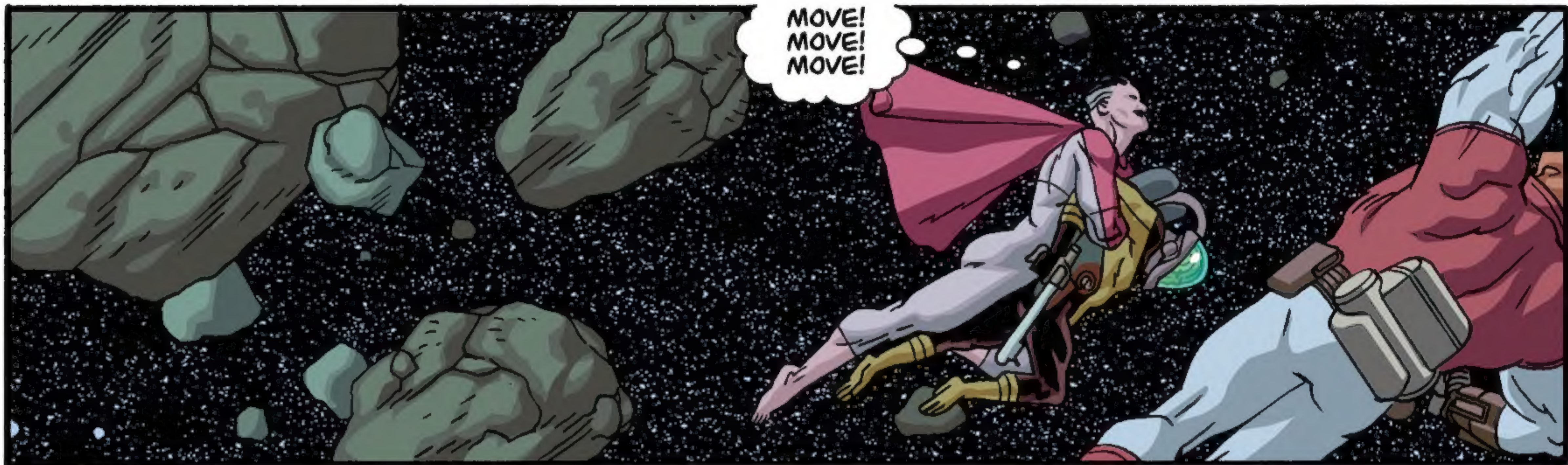




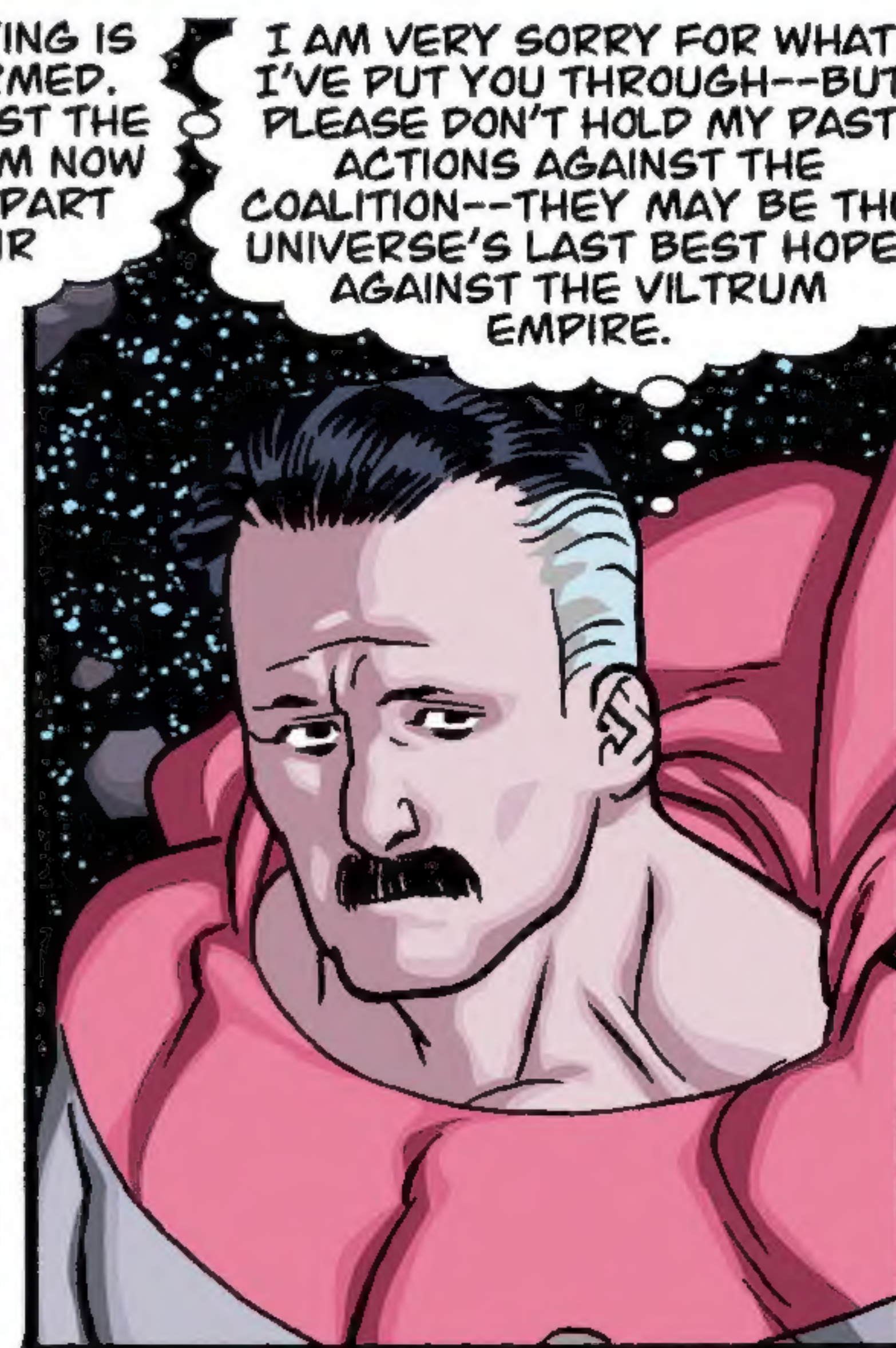
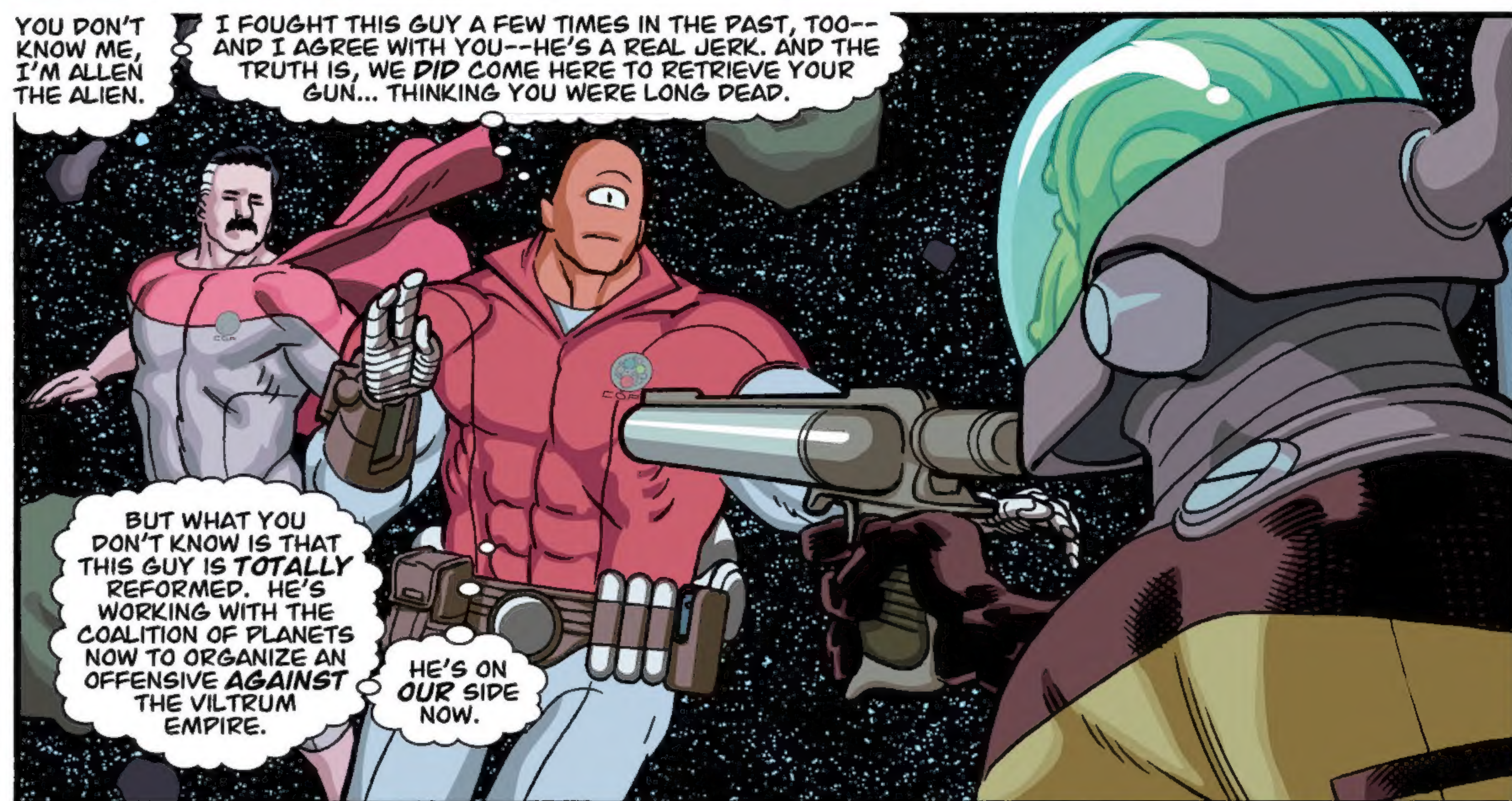






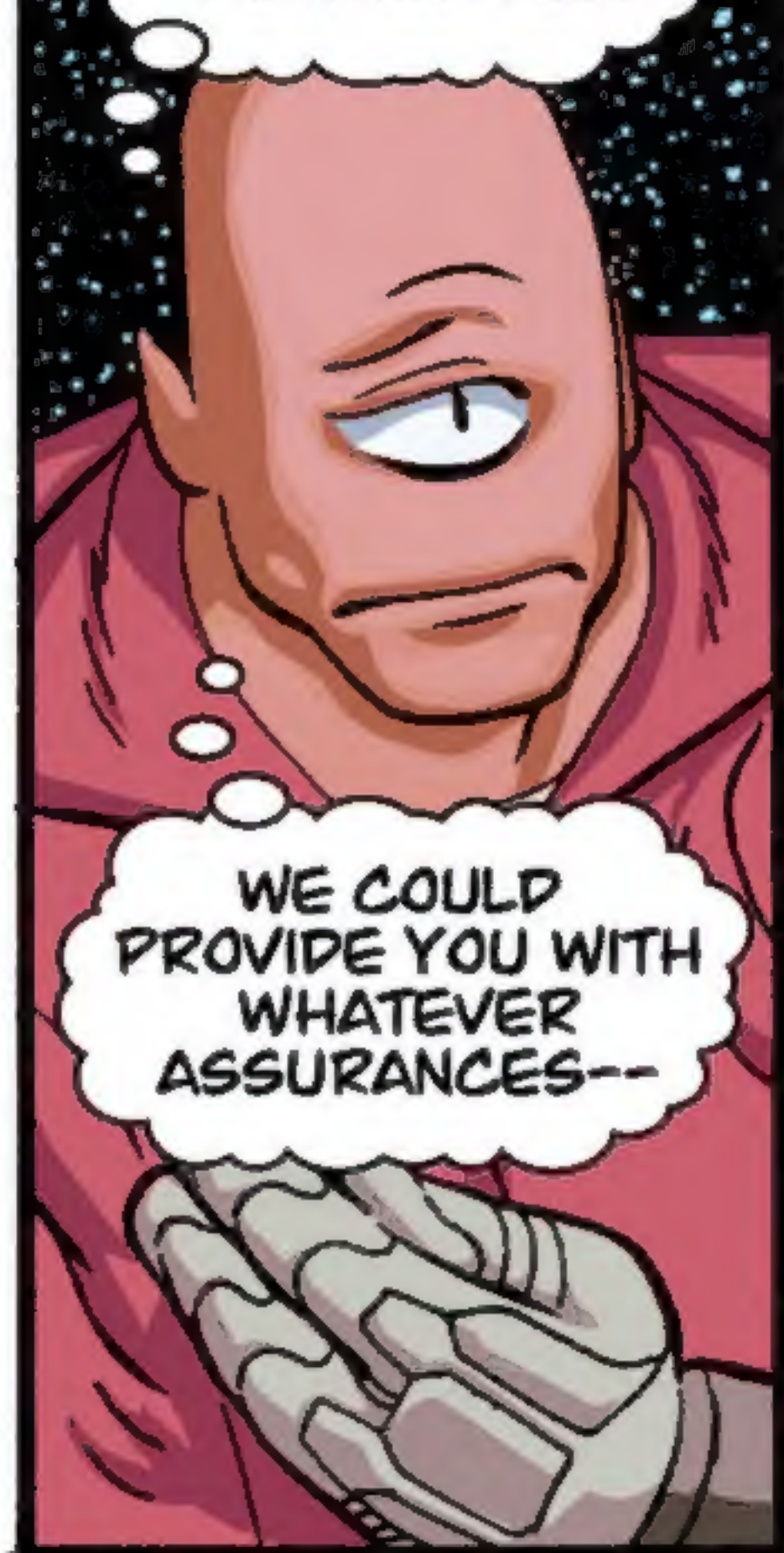








IF YOU COULD PLEASE  
JUST ACCOMPANY US  
BACK TO THE COALITION  
HEADQUARTERS YOU  
COULD SEE THAT WE  
ARE INDEED FIGHTING  
**AGAINST THE VILTRUMITES.**

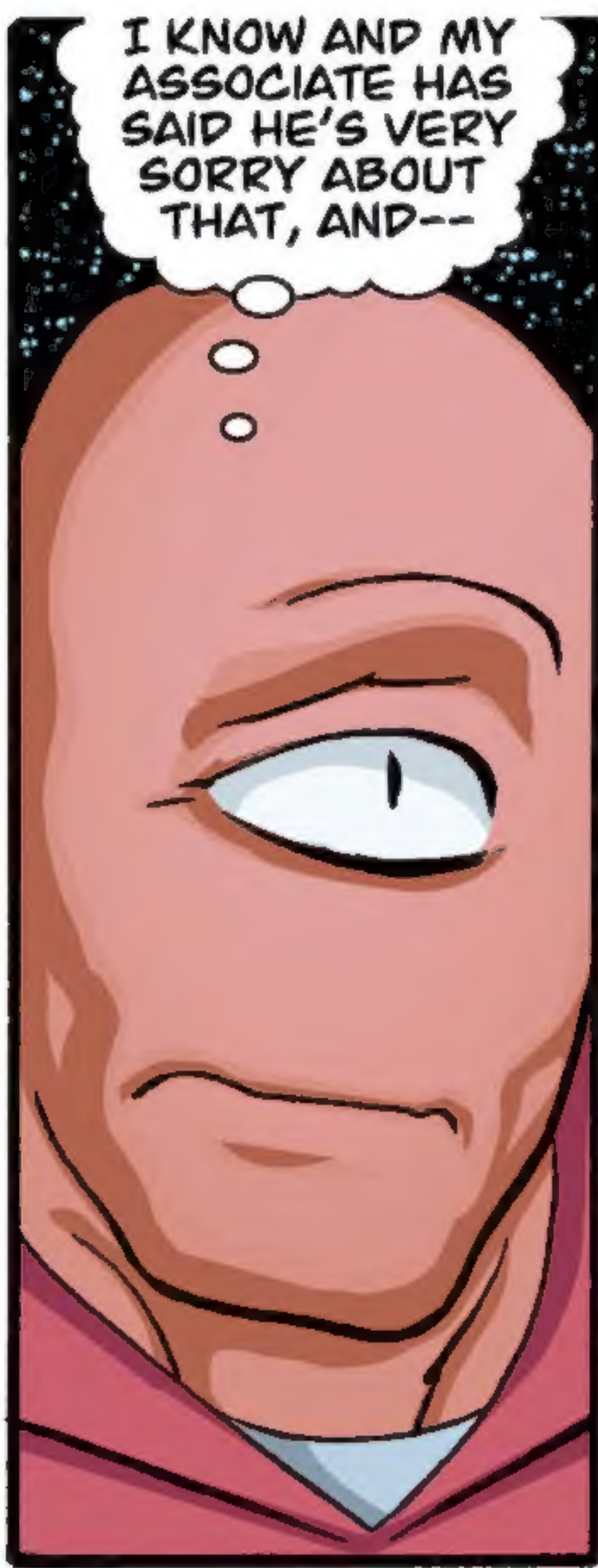


WE COULD  
PROVIDE YOU WITH  
WHATEVER  
ASSURANCES---

I HAVE  
BEEN BURIED  
UNDER THAT  
RUBBLE FOR  
NEARLY ONE-  
HUNDRED  
YEARS...



I KNOW AND MY  
ASSOCIATE HAS  
SAID HE'S VERY  
SORRY ABOUT  
THAT, AND---



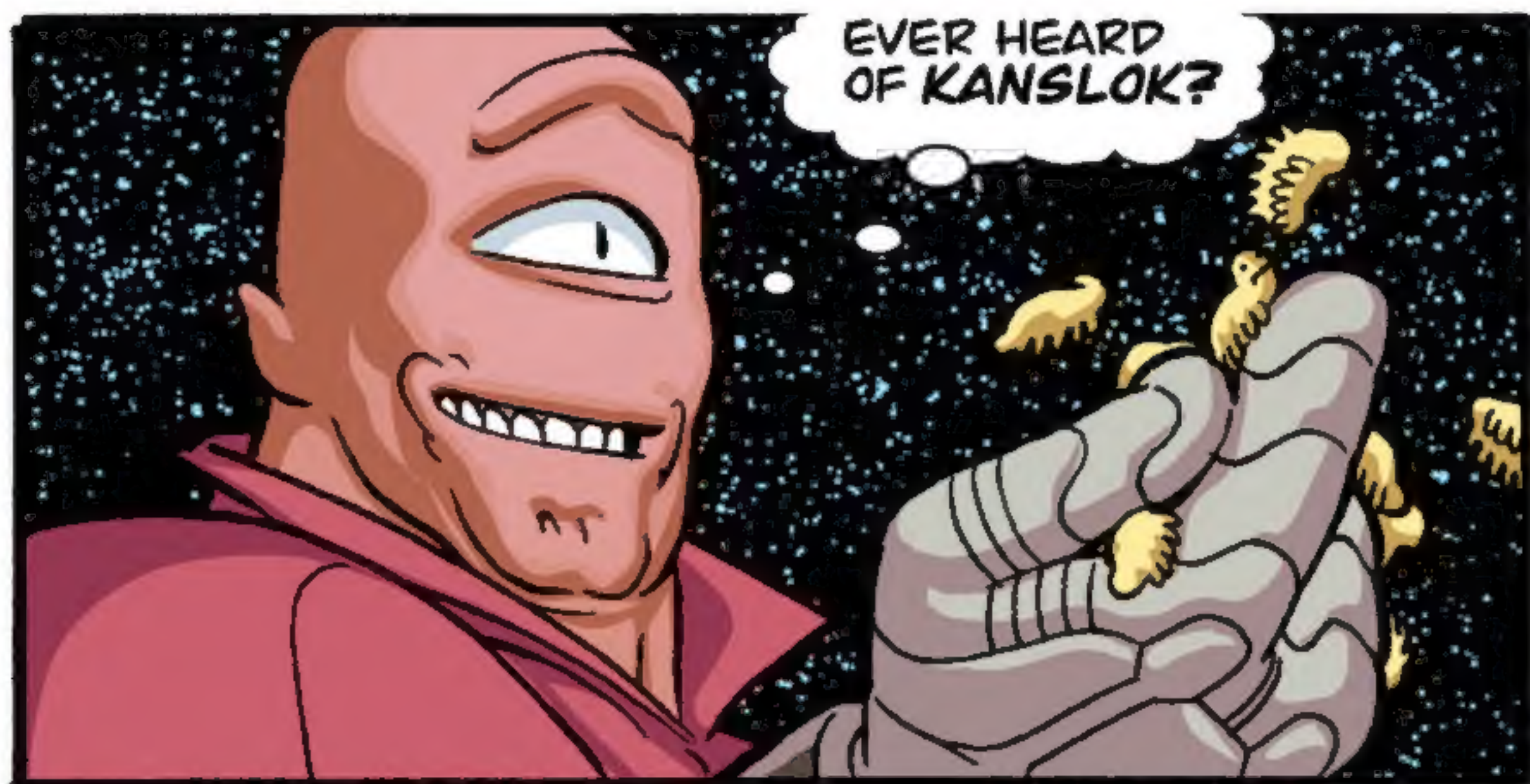
DO YOU  
HAVE ANY  
**FOOD?**



SURE DO!  
JUST GIVE ME  
A SECOND...



EVER HEARD  
OF KANSLOK?



PASS.



I WILL ACCOMPANY YOU  
BACK TO THIS SUPPOSED  
COALITION STRONGHOLD,  
BUT MY GUN WILL NEVER  
SHIFT FROM YOUR  
DIRECTION.



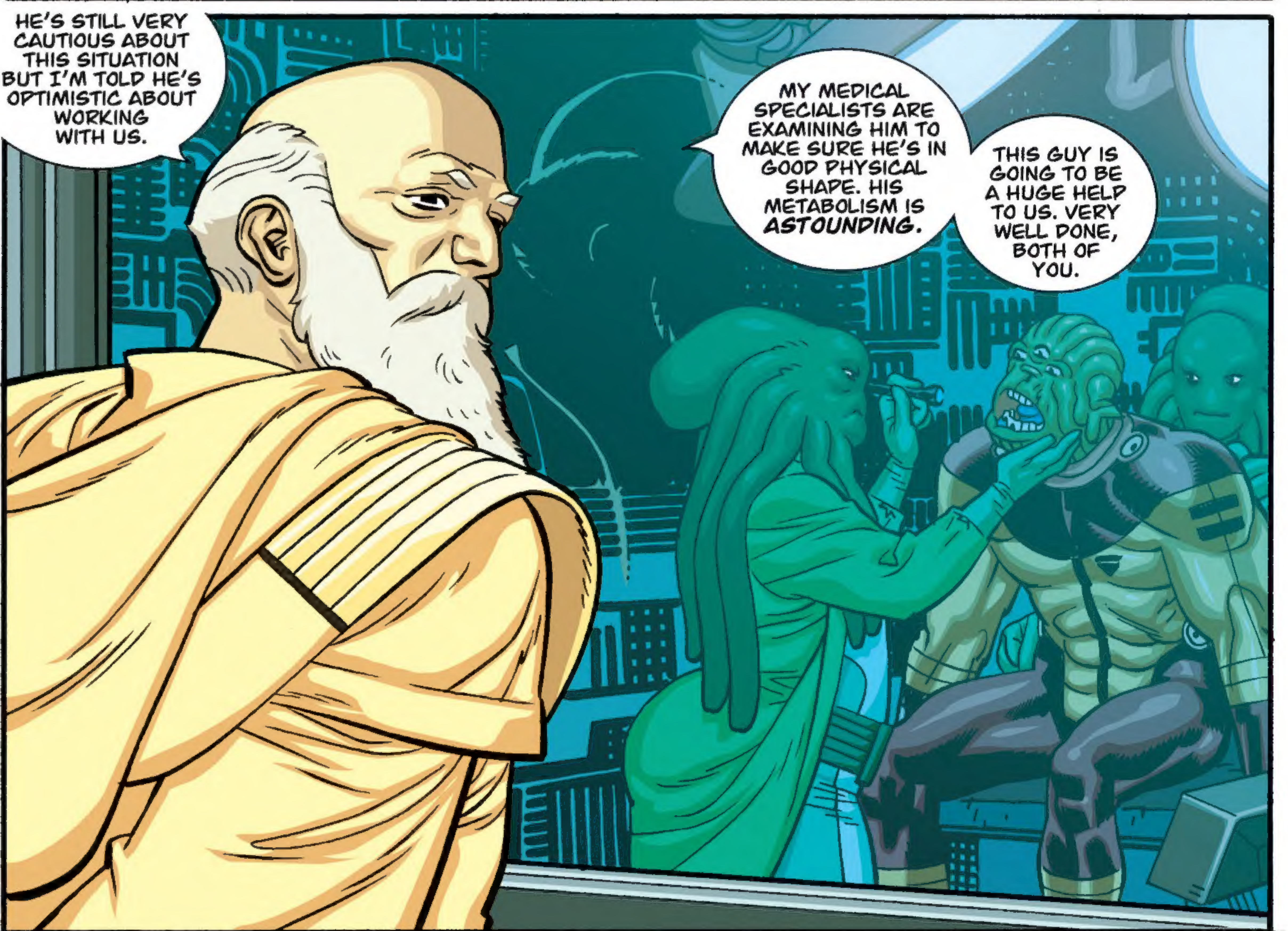
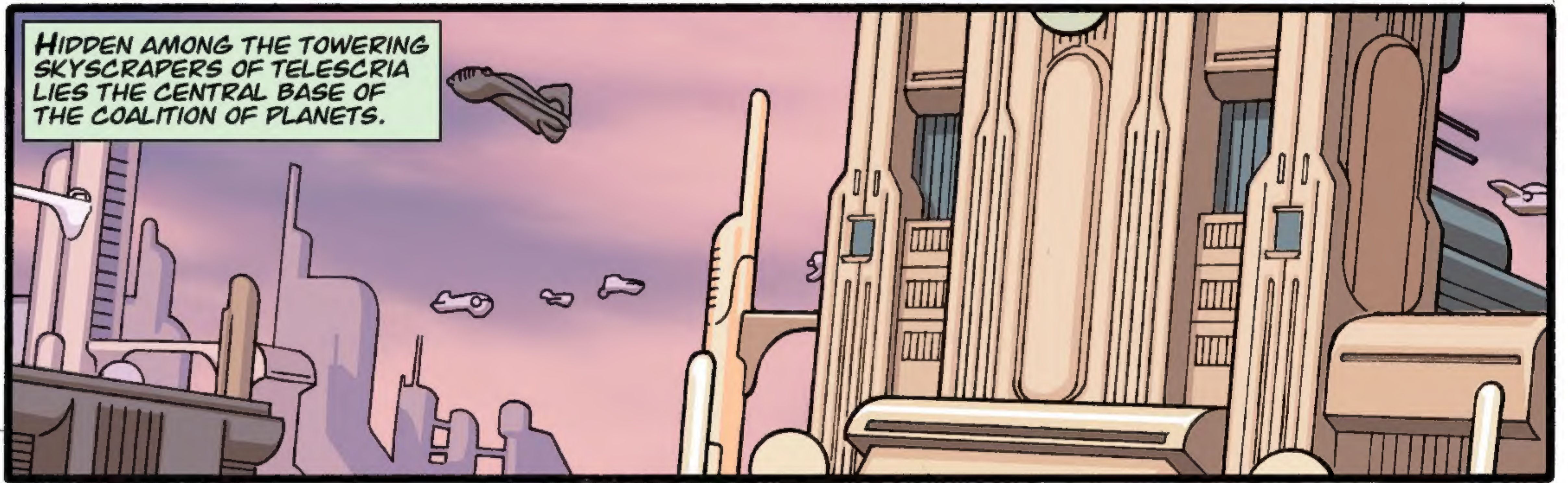
CROSS  
ME--AND IT  
WILL BE  
YOUR END.

OOH,  
SCARY.



HEH.





HE'S STILL VERY CAUTIOUS ABOUT THIS SITUATION BUT I'M TOLD HE'S OPTIMISTIC ABOUT WORKING WITH US.

MY MEDICAL SPECIALISTS ARE EXAMINING HIM TO MAKE SURE HE'S IN GOOD PHYSICAL SHAPE. HIS METABOLISM IS ASTOUNDING.

THIS GUY IS GOING TO BE A HUGE HELP TO US. VERY WELL DONE, BOTH OF YOU.



THANK YOU, GREAT THAEDUS.

I'M GOING TO HEAD HOME WHILE YOUR TEAM ASSEMBLES FOR OUR NEXT MISSION. YOU SAY IT COULD BE TWO DAYS BEFORE THEY ARE READY?



I WILL ALERT YOU BOTH AS SOON AS WE'RE READY TO GO.



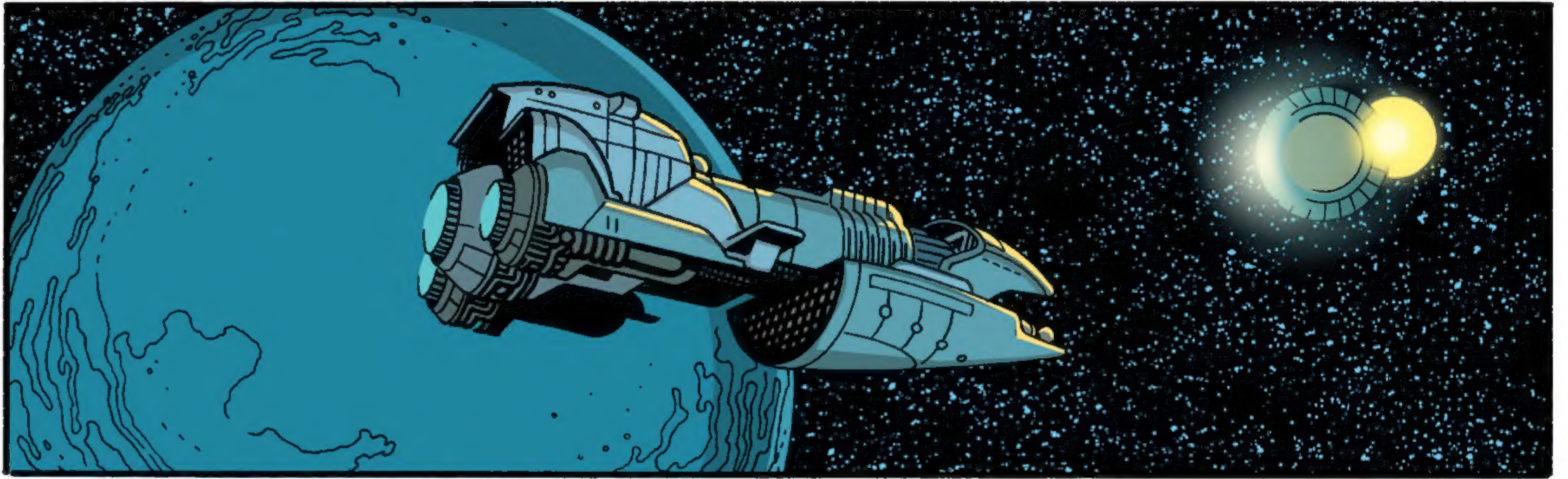
WHERE SHOULD I--?

ARE YOU KIDDING? YOU'RE CRASHING AT MY PLACE, BUDDY!









THE ROGNARR ARE VICIOUS, WE NEED TO BE CAREFUL. WHEN THE VILTRUMITES DISCOVERED THIS RACE OF MONSTERS, THEY SENT A FEW TEAMS HERE TO TRY AND DESTROY THEM-- TO **DISASTROUS** RESULTS. THESE THINGS ARE INDESTRUCTIBLE.

WITH ALL THIS ICE-- HOW ARE WE GOING TO FIND THEM?

FINALLY, I CAME UP WITH THE IDEA OF USING A SOLAR DISK TO BLOCK THEIR SUN-- FREEZING THEM. IF THESE THINGS THAW OUT WHILE WE'RE HERE-- WE'RE IN TROUBLE.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

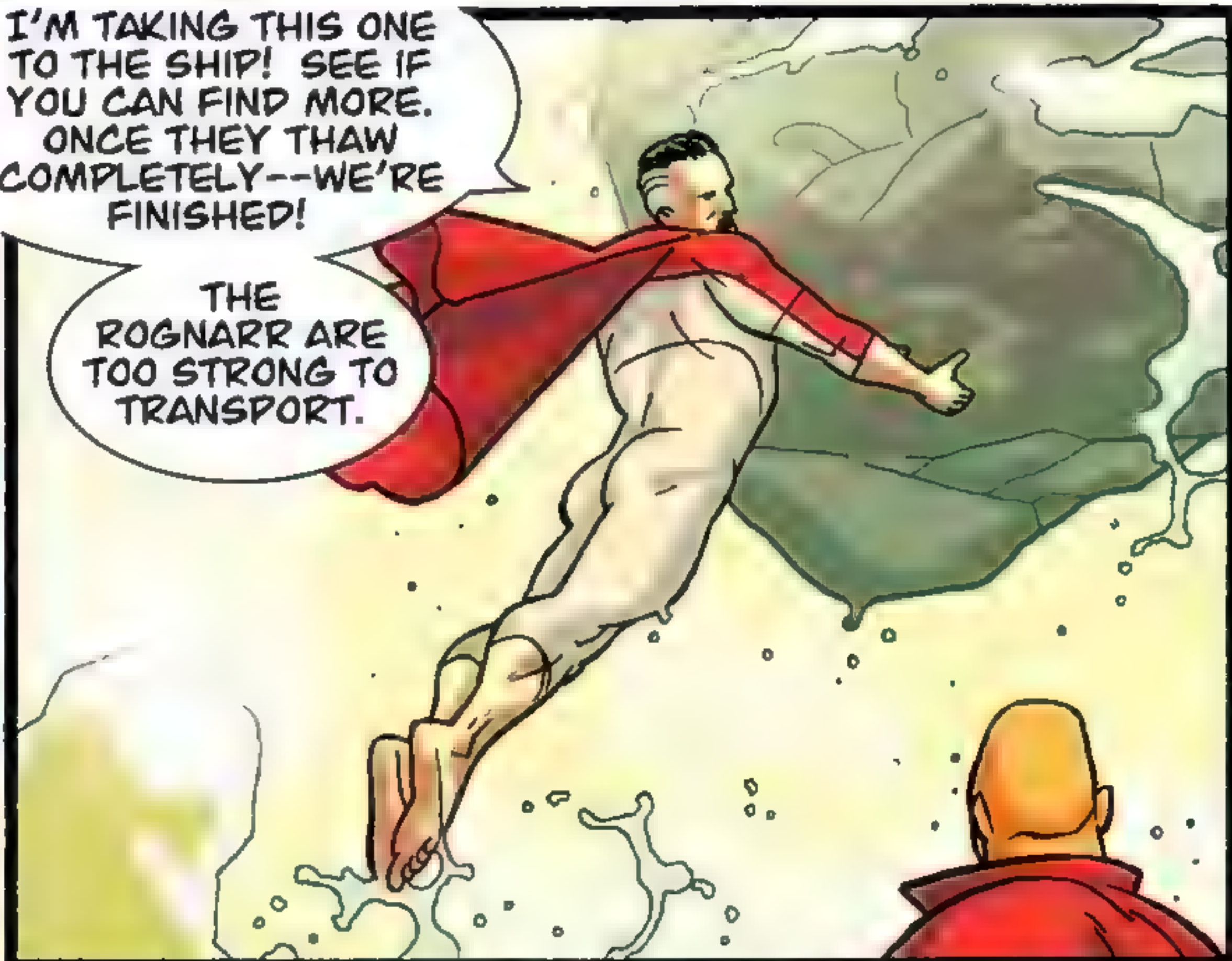
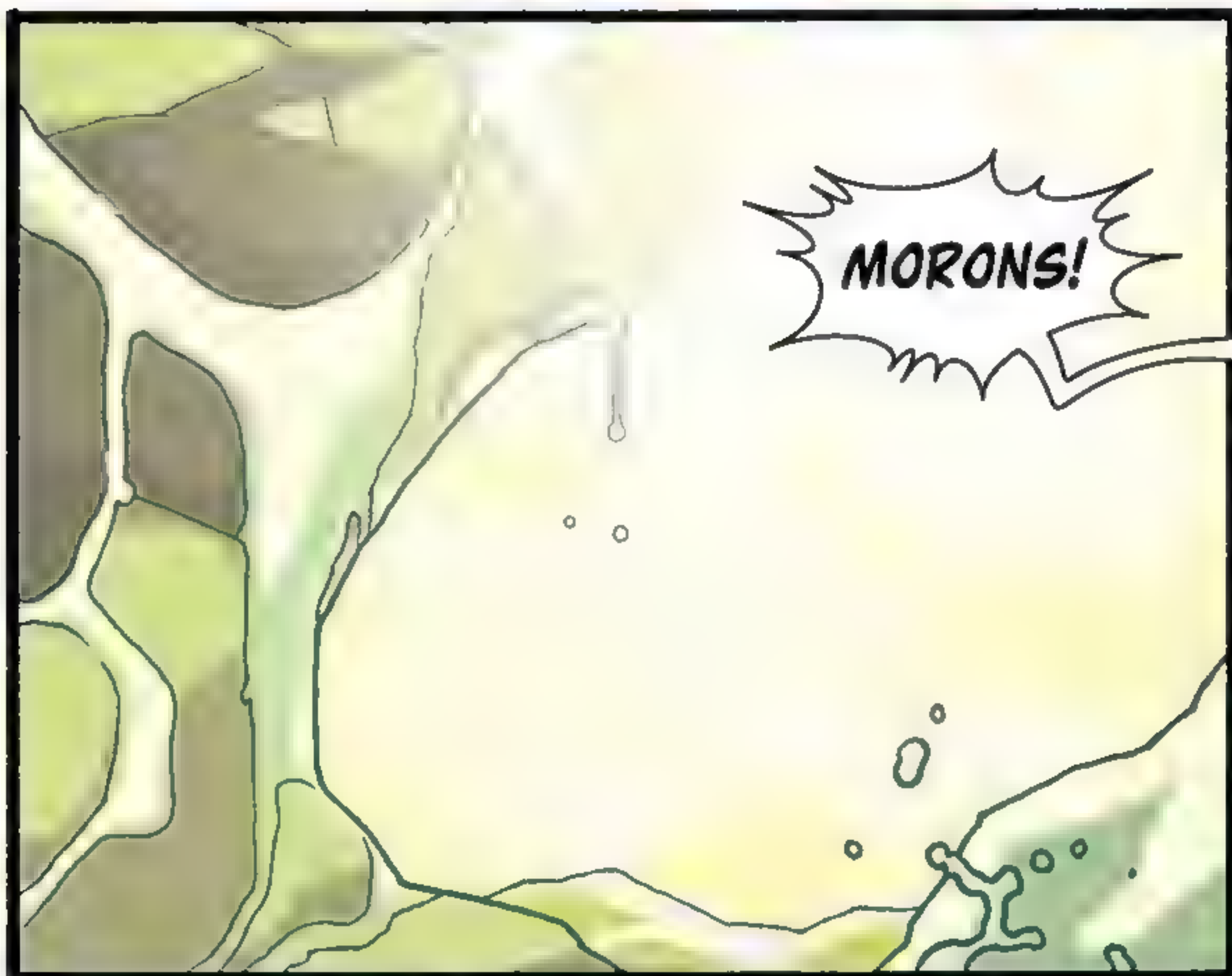
NOLAN TO BRIDGE. WE'RE GOING TO NEED TO PREPARE A TEAM TO TRANSPORT THESE THINGS TO THE CARGO HOLD BEFORE THEY **COMPLETELY** THAW OUT. THE ONLY WAY WE'RE GOING TO FIND THEM IS BY REMOVING THE SOLAR DISK.

WE CAN HANDLE THAT ON OUR OWN, THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

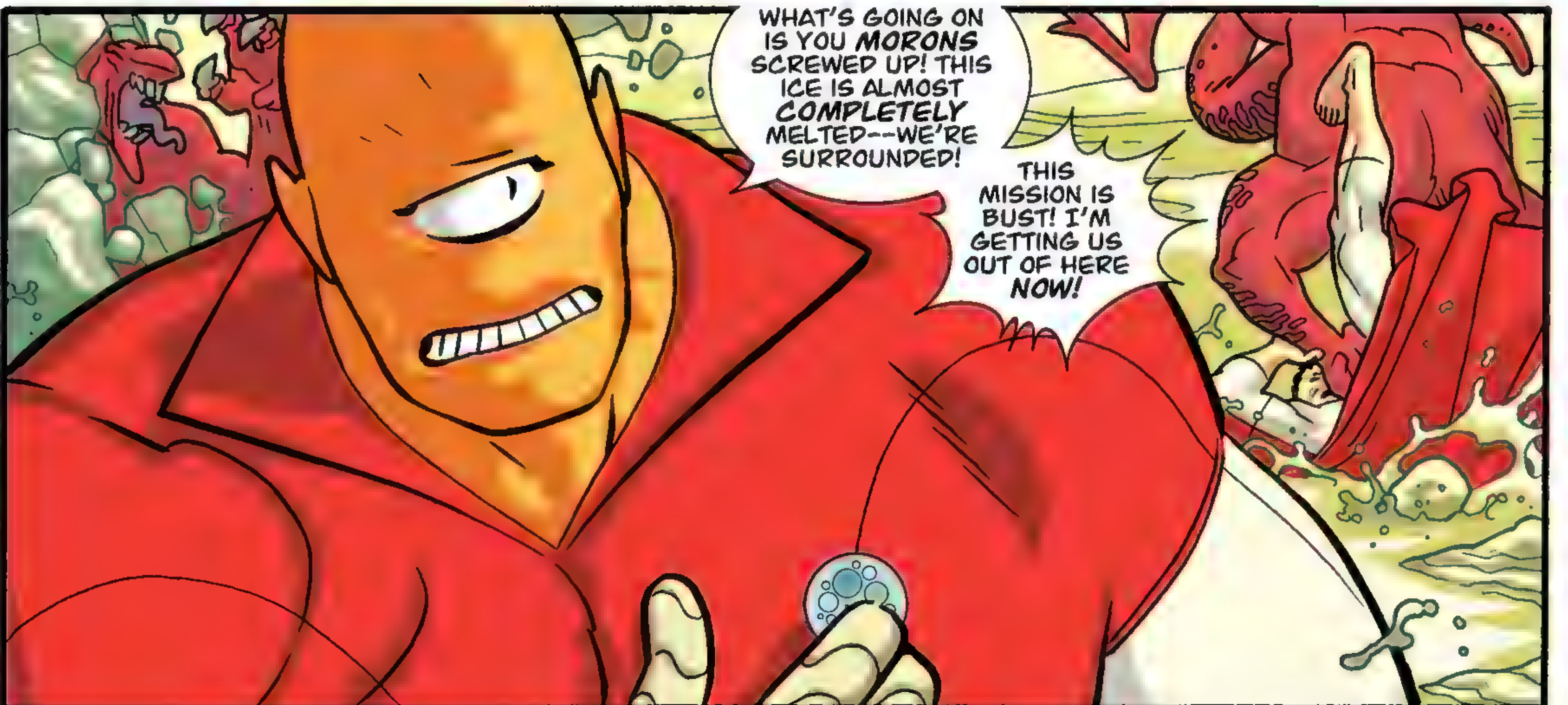
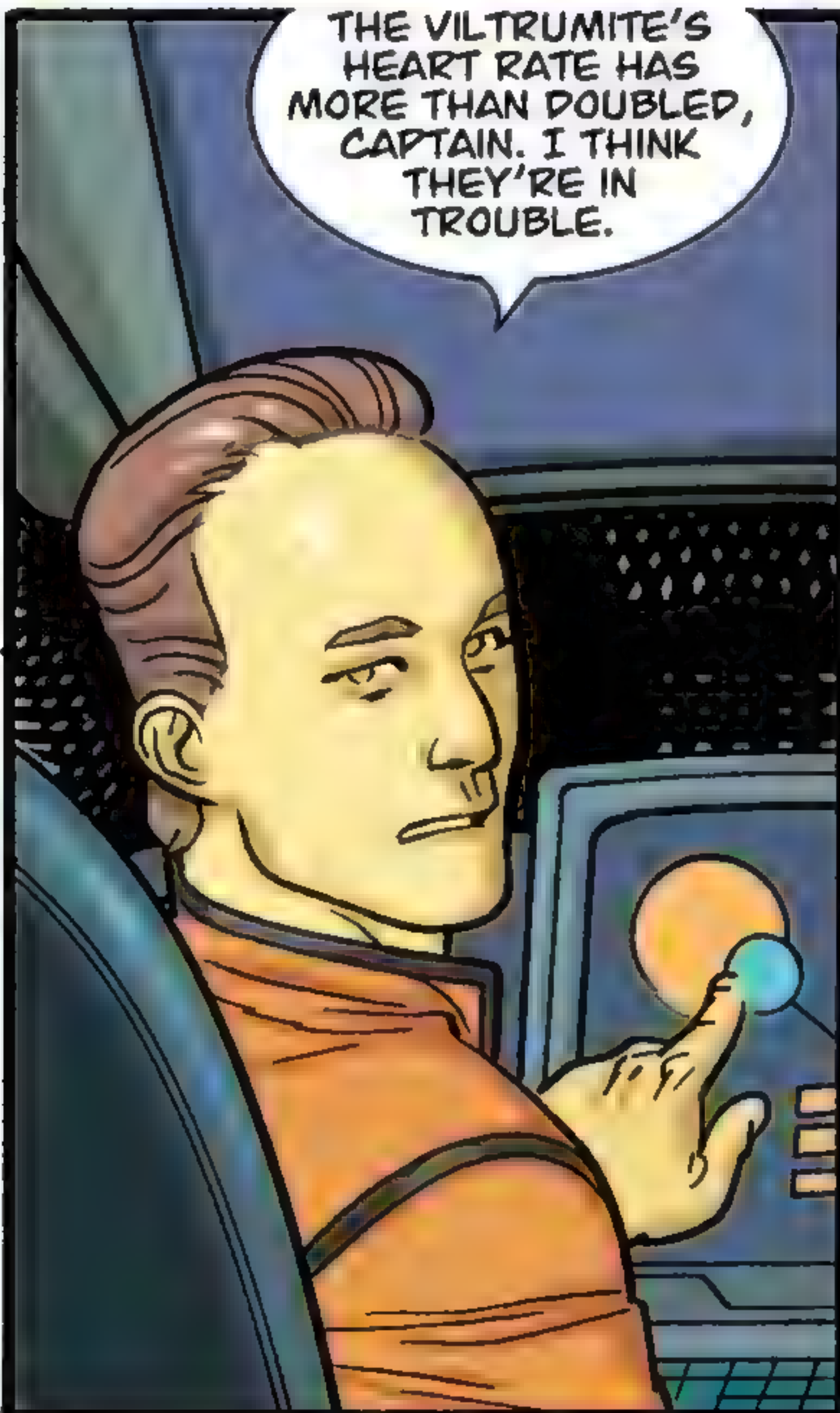
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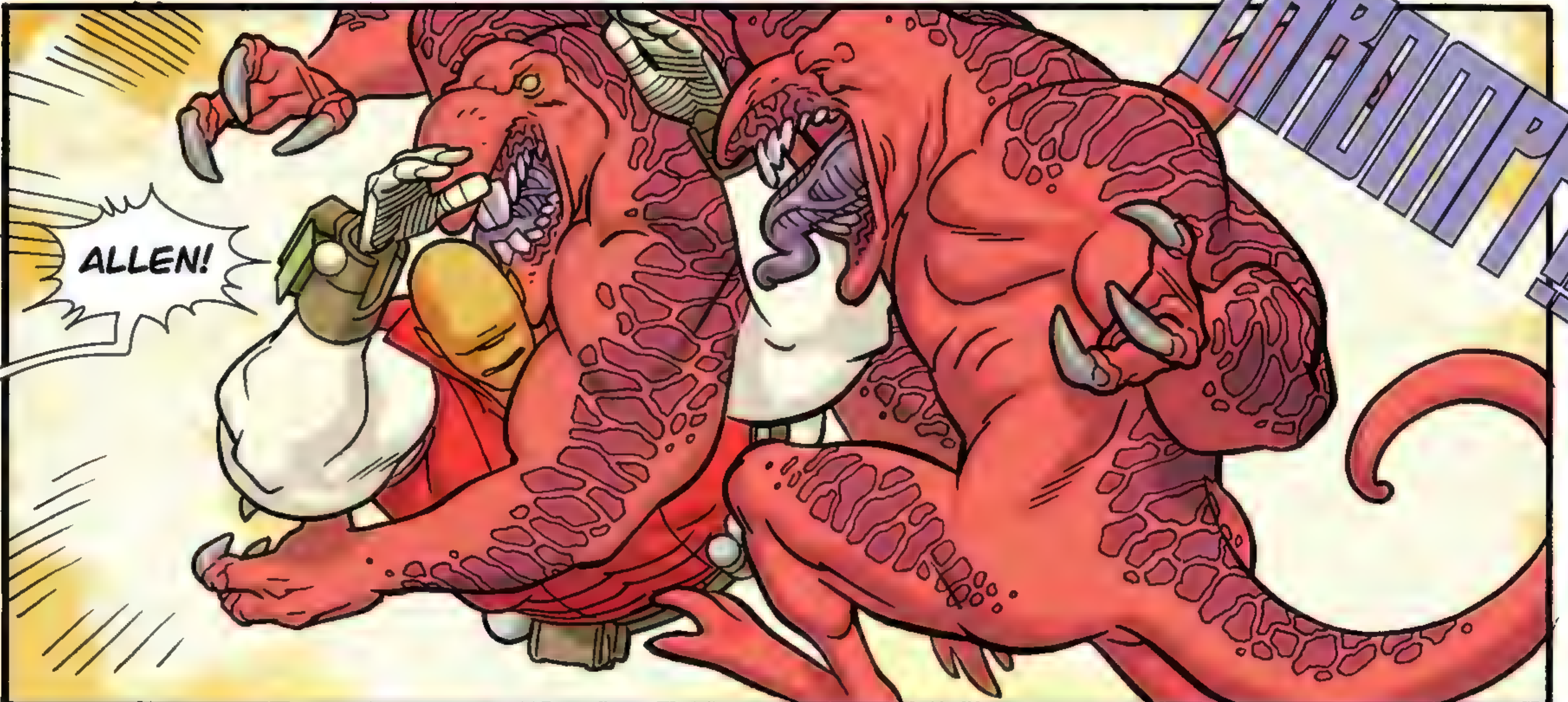




GO! JUST GET OUT OF HERE, NOW! I CAN TAKE CARE OF MYSELF!

I CAN HELP YOU!

NO! JUST--

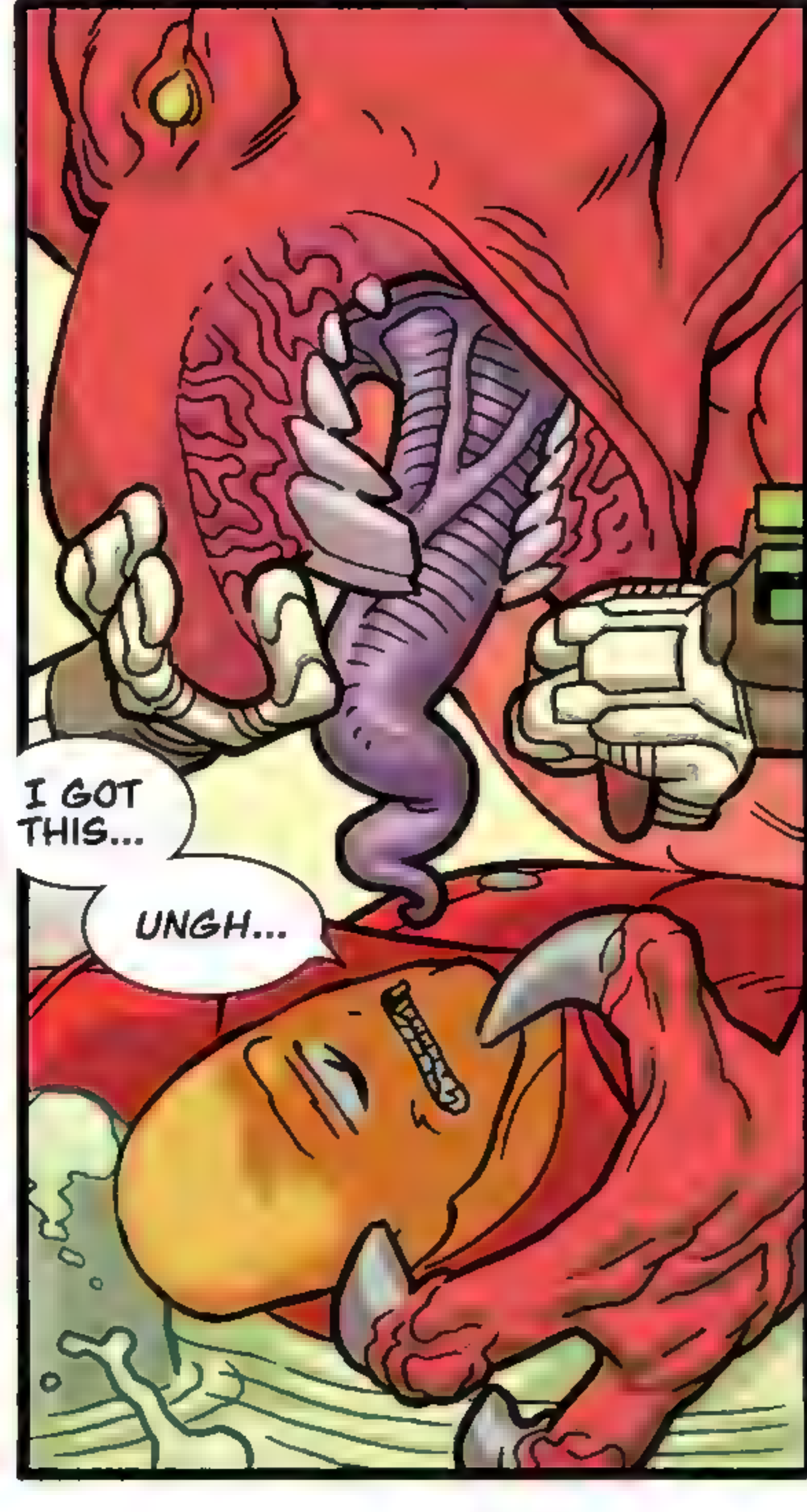


ALLEN!

CRASH!



CRASH!



I GOT THIS...

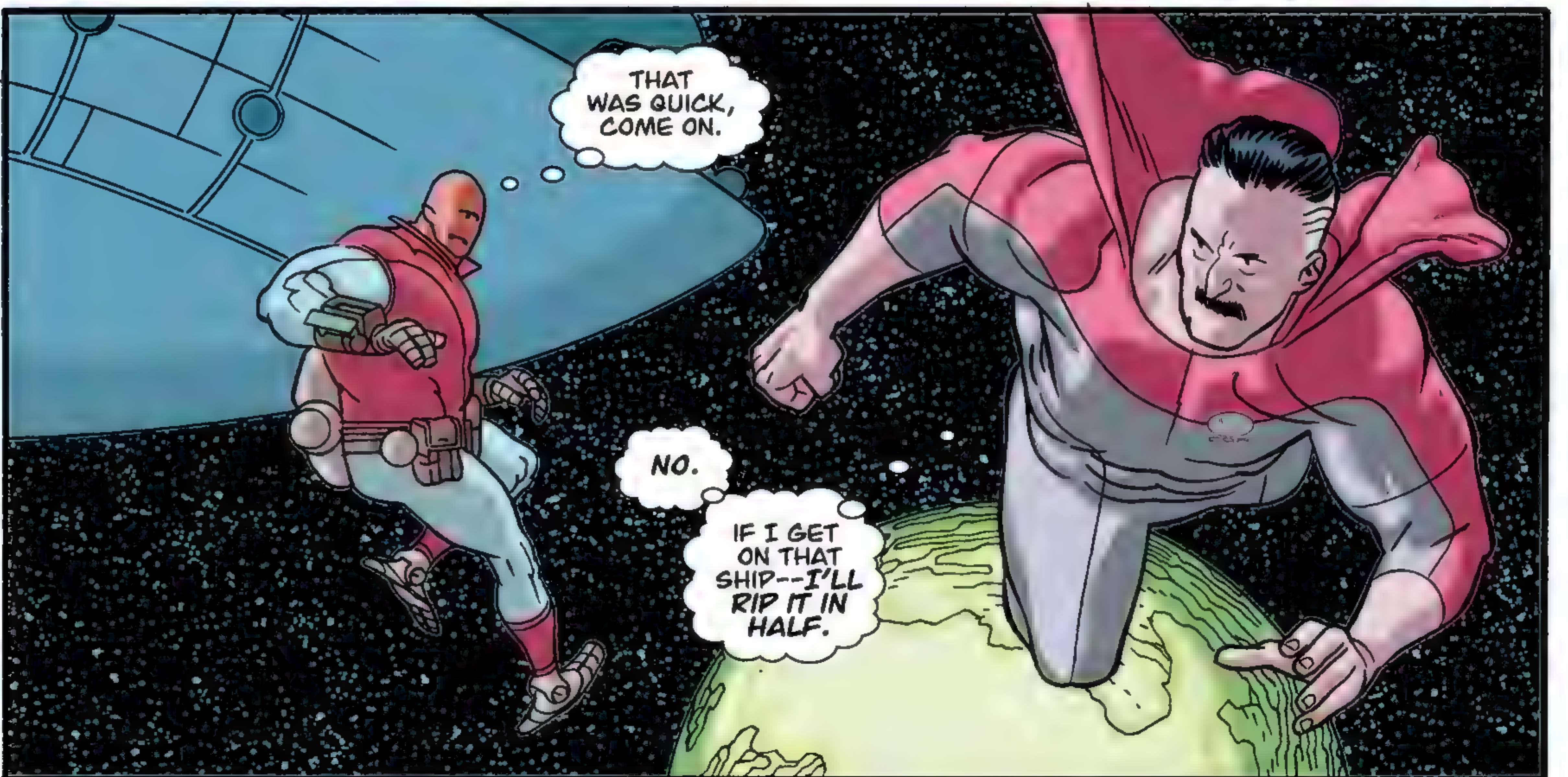
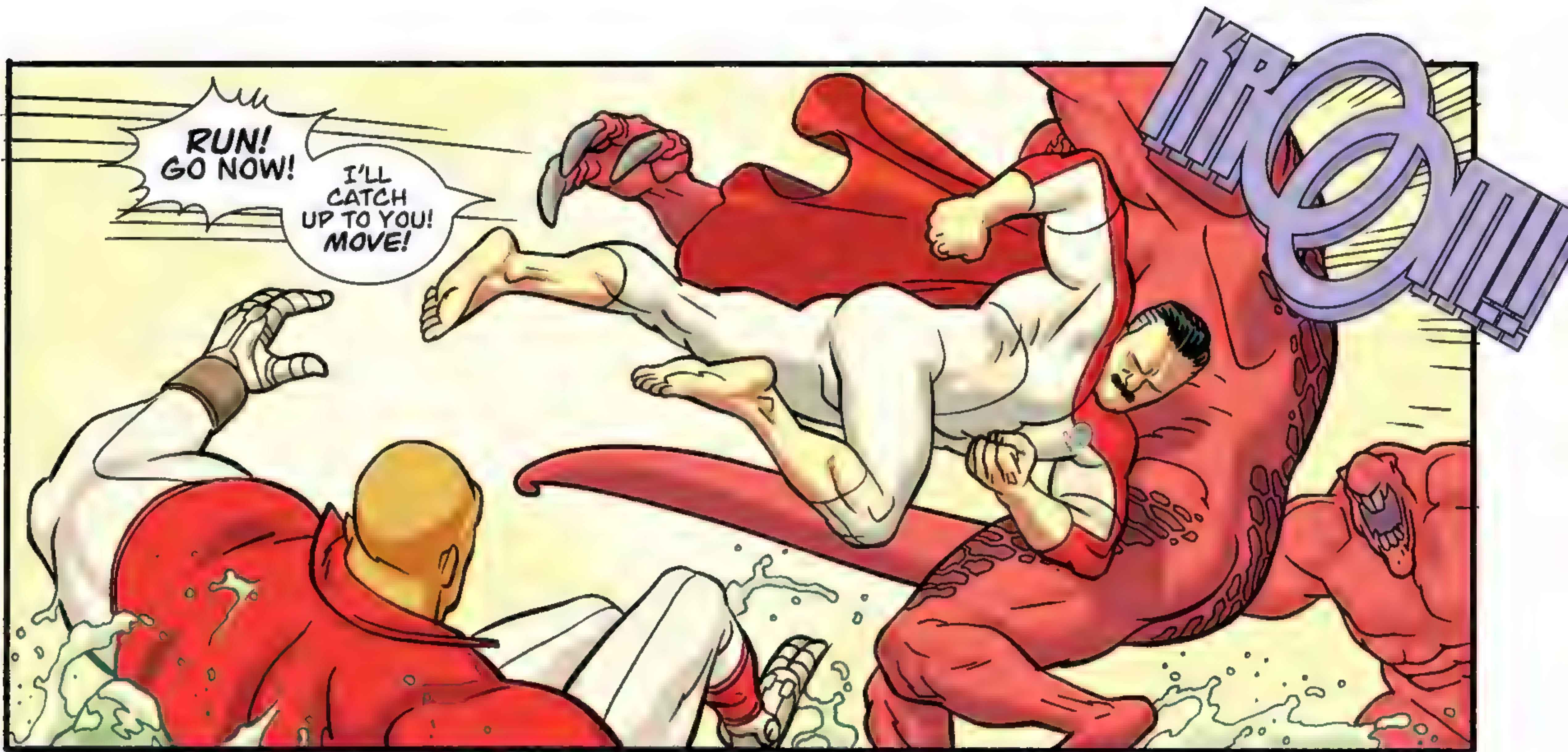
UNGH...



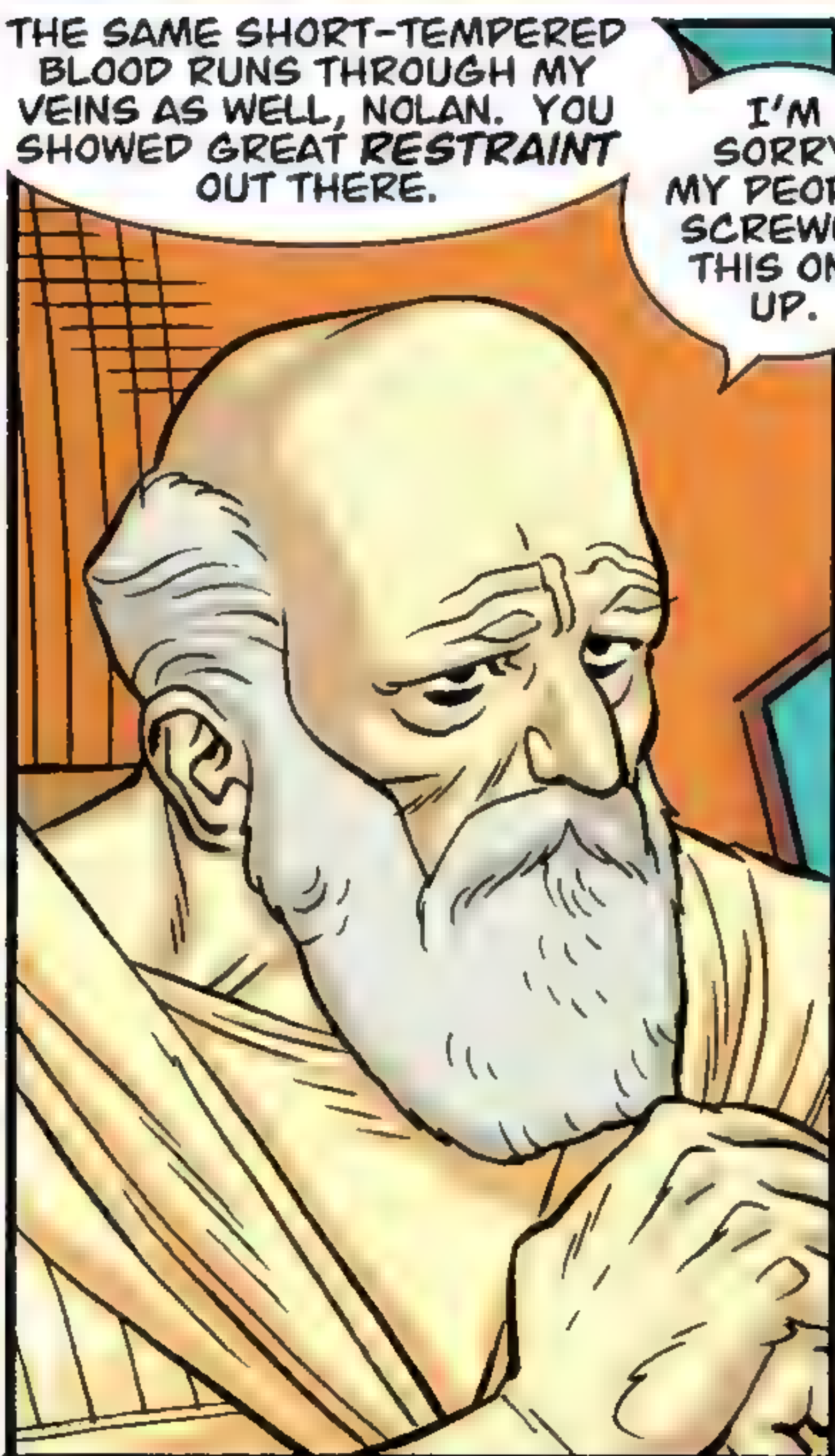
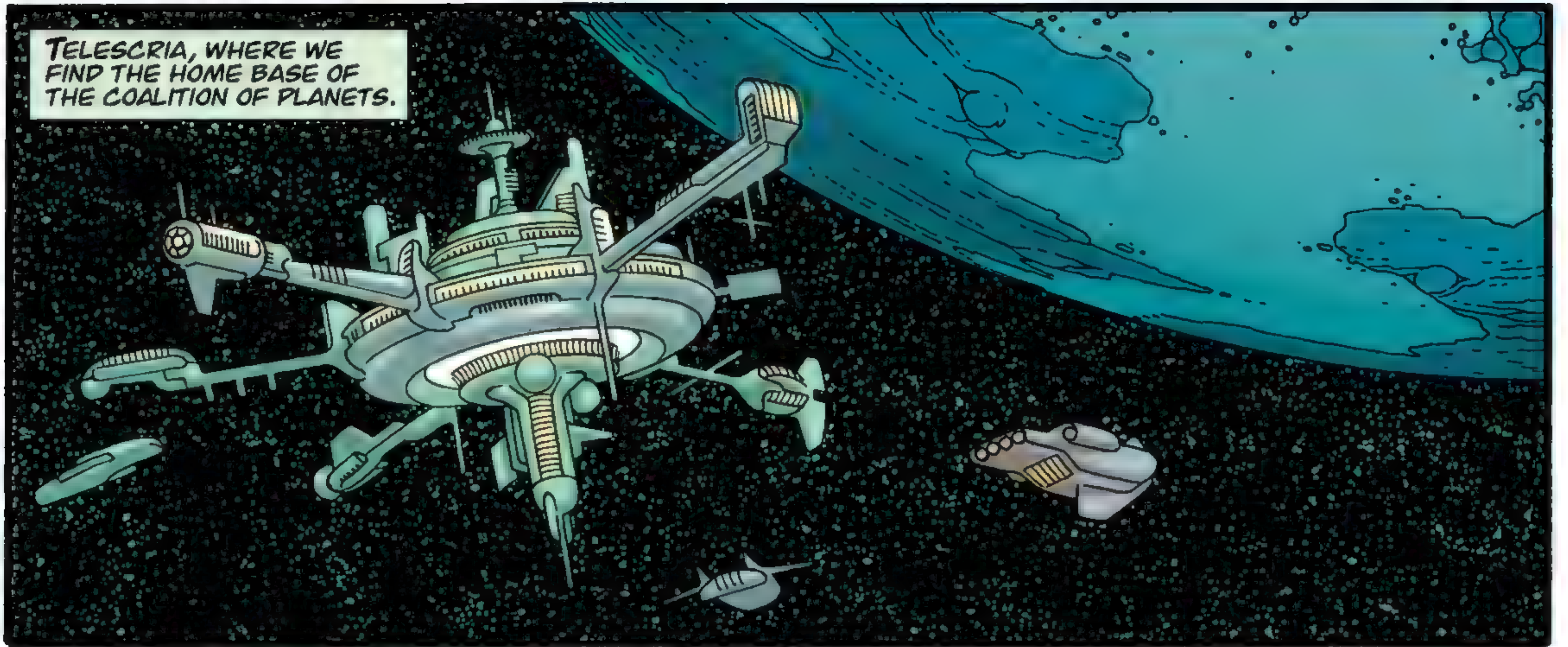
NO, YOU DON'T! THESE THINGS EAT VILTRUMITES ALIVE!

THE ONLY REASON WE'RE LASTING THIS LONG IS THAT THEY'RE STILL GROGGY FROM BEING FROZEN!











THE KLAXUS PLANT IS **POISONOUS** TO VILTRUMITES. IT CAN'T KILL US--BUT IT WOULD MAKE US PRETTY EASY TO DEFEAT IN AN OTHERWISE EVENLY MATCHED FIGHT.

THE PROBLEM IS THE PLANT IS **IMPOSSIBLE** TO KEEP FROM GROWING. IT NEEDS VERY LITTLE WATER OR SUNLIGHT AND GROWS AT AN INSANELY RAPID RATE.

SO... WE INFESTED THIS PLANET WITH THESE SINLAK BEETLES, WHICH EAT THE PLANT FASTER THAN IT CAN GROW--AND ARE IMPOSSIBLE TO EXTERMINATE.

MAYBE WE CAN EXTRACT SOME OF THE POISON FROM PLANT MATERIAL INGESTED BY THE BEETLE...

IT IS TRUE, WE WERE ABLE TO FEND OFF THE VILTRUMITE SPONSORED KRESH INVASION OF GELDARIA.

THERE IS ONE THAT MAY BE OF ASSISTANCE TO YOU.\*

\*HOLY CRAP! HE'S TALKING ABOUT TECH JACKET! YOU SHOULD TOTALLY ORDER THAT TRADE PAPERBACK, DUDE.

THEIR OLD MIGRATION PATHS CAME RIGHT THROUGH THIS SPOT ON THE STARMAPS.

IF WE COULD CATCH ONE OF THESE IT WOULD BE A HUGE HELP. **SPACE SHARKS** ARE BAD NEWS.





IF THIS  
THING IS STILL  
OUT HERE--  
THIS BEACON  
WILL DETECT  
IT.

LET'S  
GO.

YIPE!



WE KNOW  
HIM AS  
BATTLE  
BEAST.

I KNOW OF  
THE ONE YOU  
SPEAK. MY  
PLANET'S FAVORITE  
SON... OUR WORLD'S  
PROTECTOR, HE  
BROUGHT US  
THIS UTOPIA.

BUT IN DOING  
SO, HE BECAME  
ADDICTED TO CONFLICT.  
INVULNERABLE AND  
IMMORTAL, HE LEFT OUR  
WORLD IN SEARCH OF  
CONFLICT WORTHY  
OF HIS UNIQUE  
ABILITIES.

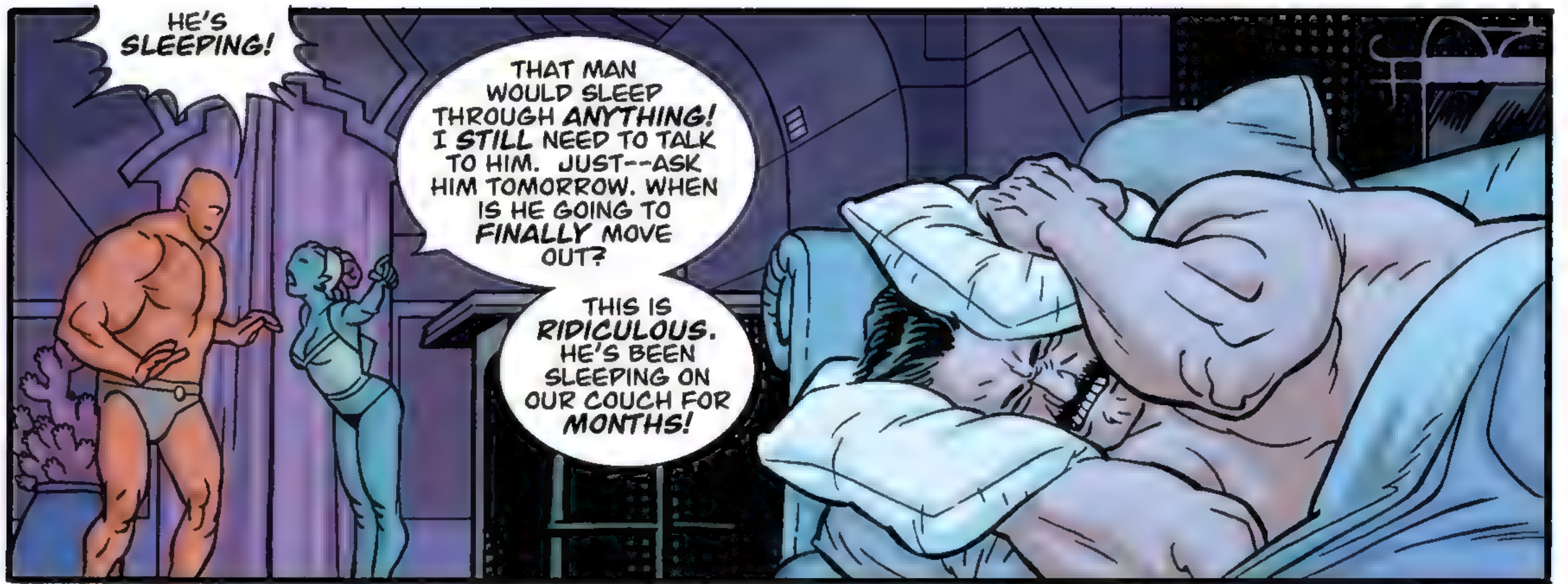
I HAVE NEVER  
SEEN HIM, THERE  
ARE THOSE AMONG  
US WHO DO NOT  
BELIEVE HIM TO EXIST.  
I PRAY TO LIVE LONG  
ENOUGH TO SEE HIS  
RETURN. WE ALL DO.



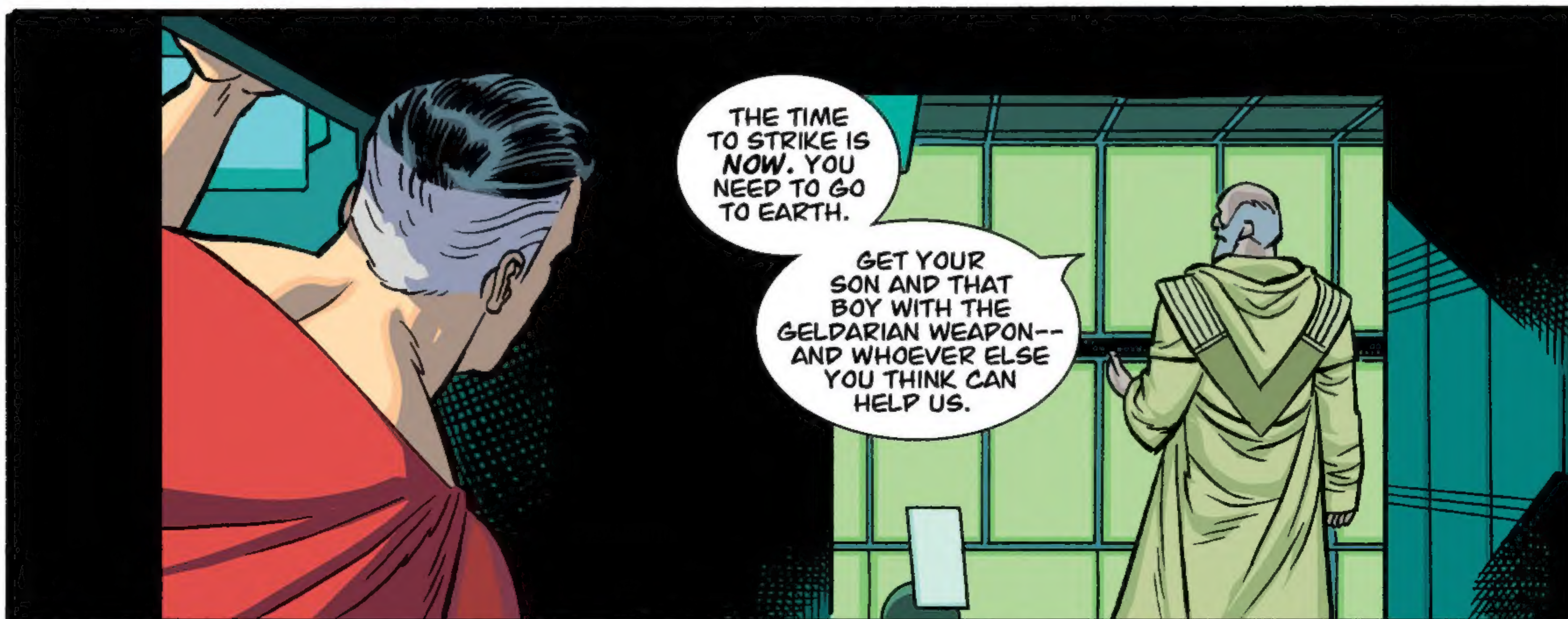
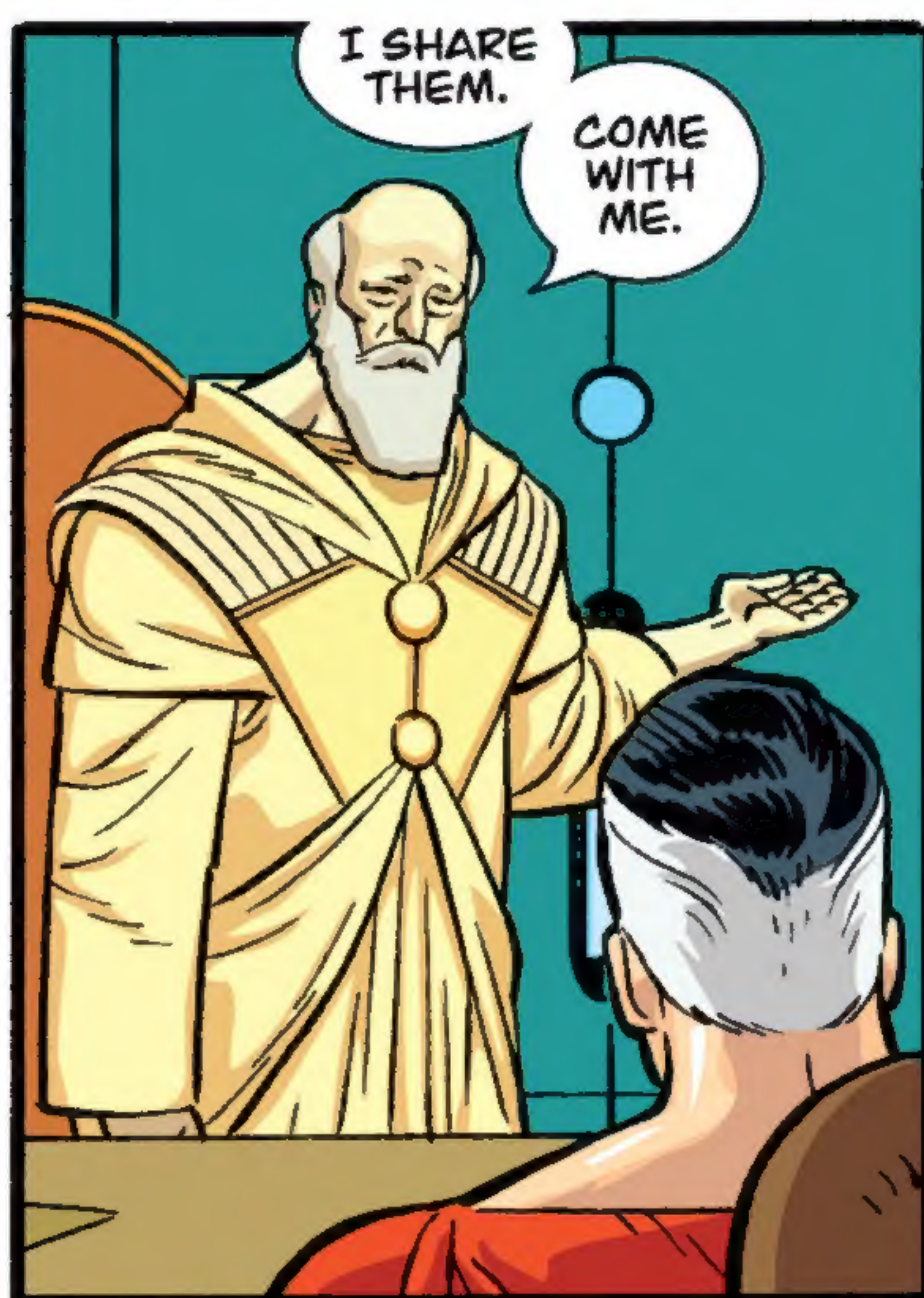
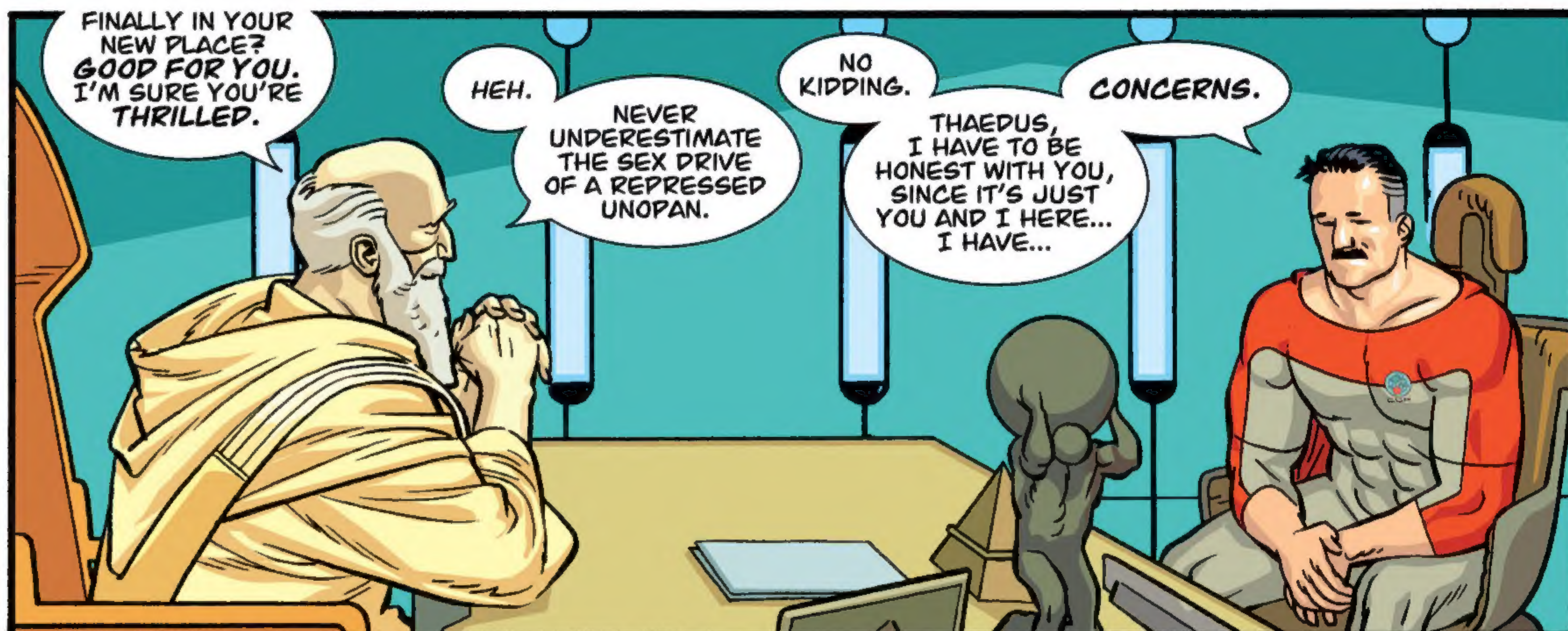
GONE.

I FEAR  
I DID MY  
JOB TOO  
WELL.











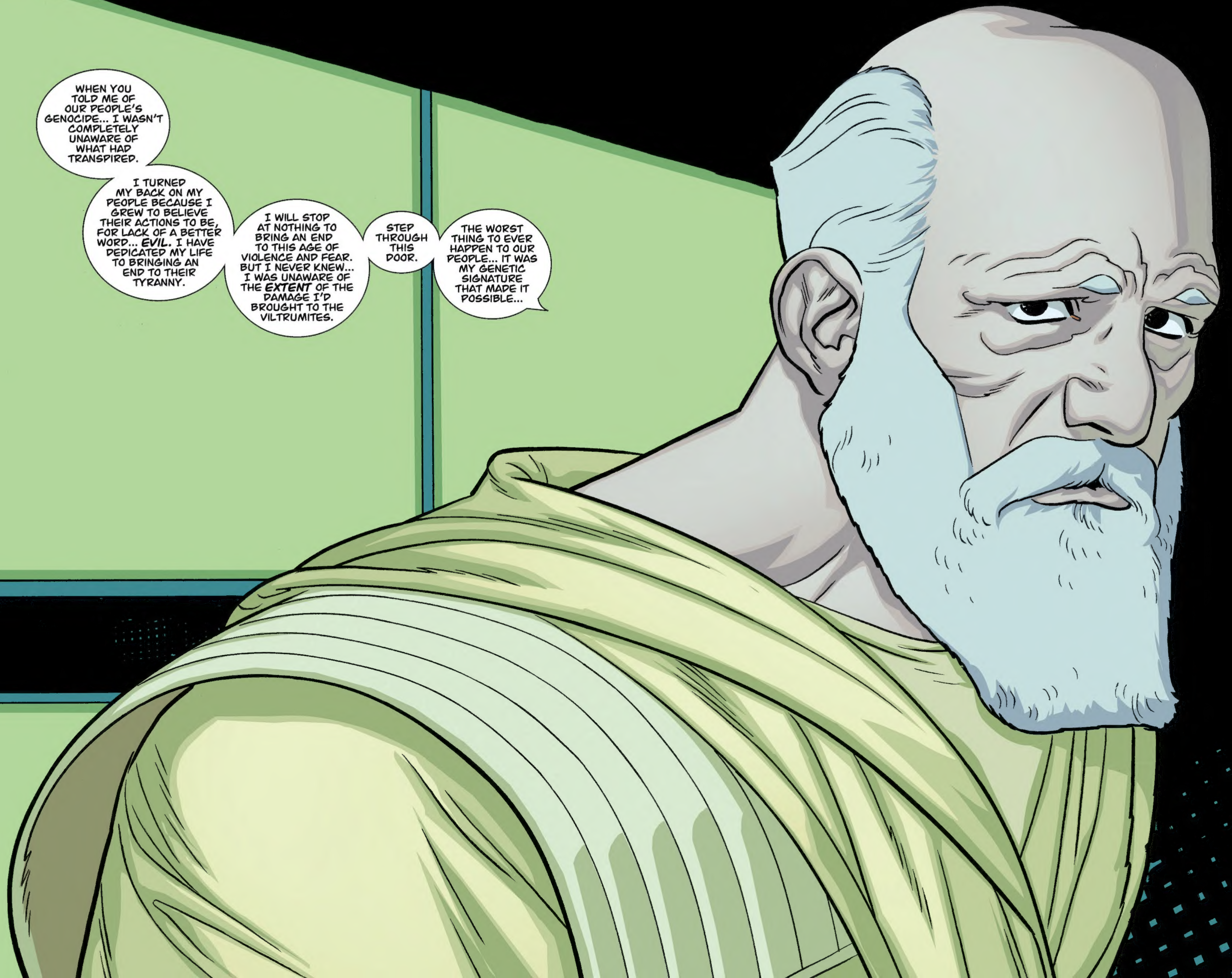
WHEN YOU  
TOLD ME OF  
OUR PEOPLE'S  
GENOCIDE... I WASN'T  
COMPLETELY  
UNWARE OF  
WHAT HAD  
TRANSPIRED.

I TURNED  
MY BACK ON MY  
PEOPLE BECAUSE I  
GREW TO BELIEVE  
THEIR ACTIONS TO BE,  
FOR LACK OF A BETTER  
WORD... EVIL. I HAVE  
DEDICATED MY LIFE  
TO BRINGING AN  
END TO THEIR  
TYRANNY.

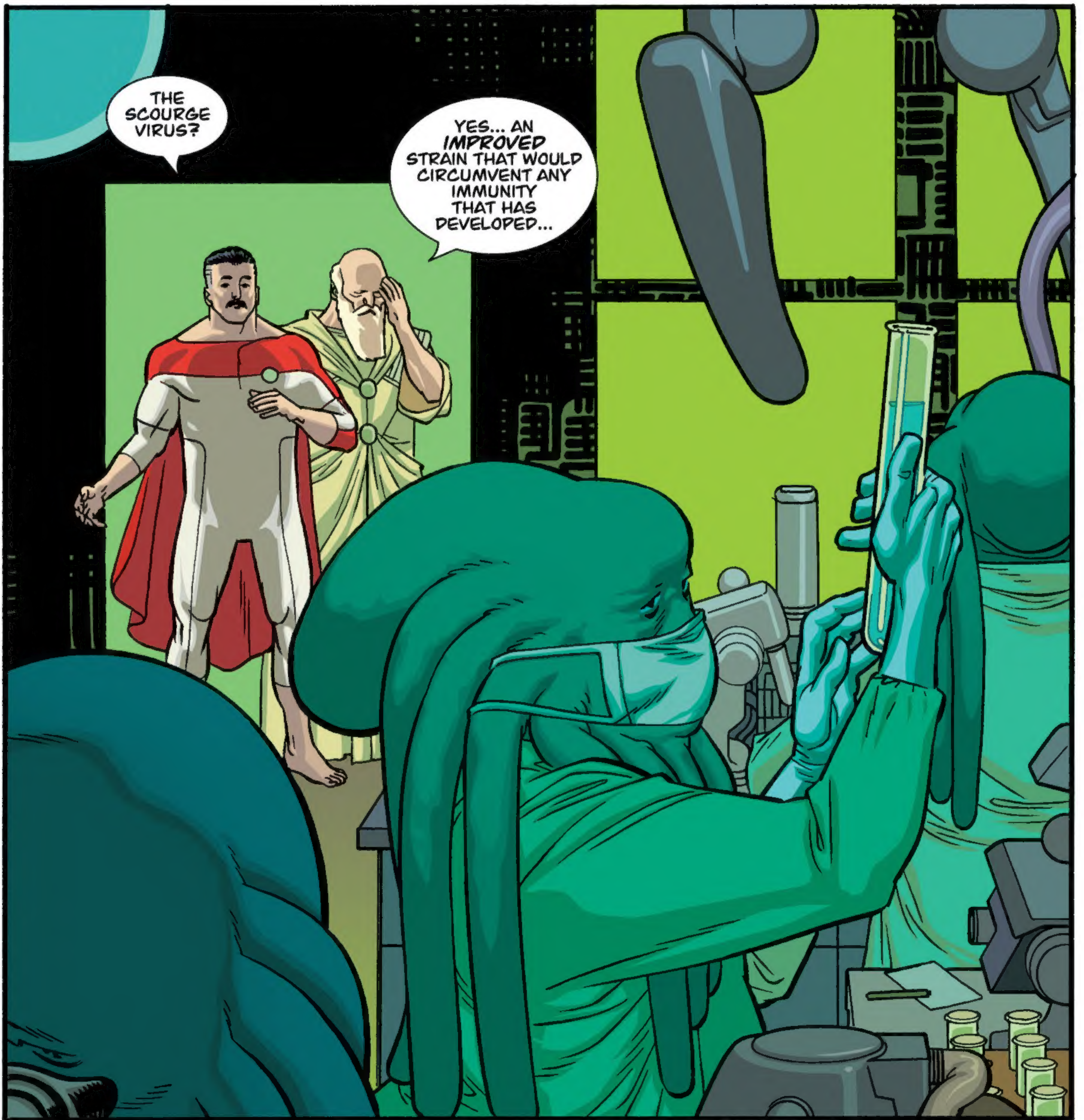
I WILL STOP  
AT NOTHING TO  
BRING AN END  
TO THIS AGE OF  
VIOLENCE AND FEAR.  
BUT I NEVER KNEW...  
I WAS UNAWARE OF  
THE EXTENT OF THE  
DAMAGE I'D  
BROUGHT TO THE  
VILTRUMITES.

STEP  
THROUGH  
THIS  
DOOR.

THE WORST  
THING TO EVER  
HAPPEN TO OUR  
PEOPLE... IT WAS  
MY GENETIC  
SIGNATURE  
THAT MADE IT  
POSSIBLE...







THE  
SCOURGE  
VIRUS?

YES... AN  
IMPROVED  
STRAIN THAT WOULD  
CIRCUMVENT ANY  
IMMUNITY  
THAT HAS  
DEVELOPED...



AND ALTHOUGH IT  
COULD MEAN **SUICIDE**  
FOR US AND THE  
POTENTIAL EXTINCTION  
OF OUR PEOPLE...

...IF I BELIEVE  
OUR CAUSE TO  
BE LOST, I WON'T  
**HESITATE** TO  
USE IT AGAIN.



